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- 1. In the spirit of the conclusion of the Yugoslav Communist Party Congress a drive for an increase in membership has been prominent on the Communist Party agenda. Admittance to the Party is now quite easy. It is sufficient that two persons who have been Communist Party members for two years propose admission of a candidate. This is followed by an interview conducted by the members of the cell to which the applicant will belong.
- 2. Both old and new members are obliged to attend Communist Party study courses, which are being held all over Yugoslavia. In Bosnia and Hercegovina a "third" course, emphasizing political economy, has been inaugurated. One week is devoted to lecture conferences, followed by a week of questions and discussions. According to official statistics, of the approximately 450,000 Communist Party members in Yugoslavia, 100,000 are completely oriented ideologically.

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